

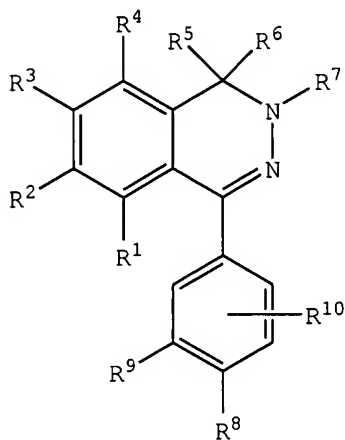
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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-9 (canceled).

Claim 10 (currently amended): A method for treating a patient having a disorder associated with excessive activation of the α -amino-3-hydroxy-5-methyl-4-isooxazolepropionic acid (AMPA) subtype of the ionotropic excitatory amino acid (EAA) receptors, the method comprising administering to the patient, in an effective amount to alleviate the symptoms of the disorder, a compound of Formula I:



wherein

R¹, R², R³ and R⁴ are independently

H,

HO,

R¹¹O-,

halogen,

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C1-C3-alkyl,

CF₃,

R¹²CO₂-,

R¹²O₂C-,

R¹²CO-,

R¹²CONH-,

R¹²NHCO-,

R¹²NHCO₂-,

R¹²OCONH-,

R¹²O₂S-,

R¹²OS-, or

R¹³R¹⁴N-; or

R¹ and R², or R² and R³, or R³ and R⁴ taken together can be

-SCH₂S-,

-SCH₂O-,

-OCH₂S-,

-SCH₂CH₂S-,

-SCH₂CH₂O-, or

-OCH₂CH₂S-;

wherein at least one of R¹, R², R³ or R⁴ must be a C1-C3-alkylthio group,

R⁵ and R⁶ are independently

H,

C1-C6-alkyl,

C3-C6-alkenyl,

C3-C6-cycloalkyl, or

phenyl or substituted phenyl, wherein the phenyl is substituted with one or two substituents selected from the group consisting of C1-C3-alkyl, halogen, R¹¹O-, CF₃,

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$R^{12}O_2S-$, $R^{12}OS-$, $R^{12}CO$, $R^{12}CO_2-$, $R^{12}O_2C-$, $R^{12}CONH-$, $R^{12}NHCO-$,
 $R^{12}NHCO_2-$, $R^{12}OCONH-$, and $R^{13}R^{14}N-$; or

R^5 and R^6 taken together can be C3-C6-cycloalkyl;

R^7 is

$R^{13}R^{14}NCO-$,
 $R^{13}R^{14}NCS-$,
 $R^{13}R^{14}N(HCR^{15})-$,
 $R^{15}OCO-$,
 $R^{13}CO-$,
 $R^{13}R^{14}NCH_2CO-$,
 $R^{12}O_2C-(CH_2)_n-$,
 $R^{13}R^{14}NCO-(CH_2)_n-$,
 $NC-(CH_2)_n-$,
H,
C1-C6-alkyl,
C3-C6-alkenyl, or
C3-C6-cycloalkyl; or

R^6 and R^7 taken together can be

$-(CH_2)_mCH_2(R^{13})NCO-$,
 $-(CH_2)_mCH_2OCO-$, or
 $-(CH_2)_mCH_2CH_2CO-$;

R^8 and R^9 are independently

H,
 $R^{13}R^{14}N-$,
 $R^{13}R^{14}N(HCR^{15})-$,
 $R^{12}HNCO-$, or
 $R^{12}CONH-$;

R^{10} is

H,

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halogen,
HO,
R¹¹O-,
R¹³R¹⁴N-,
C1-C3-alkyl,
CF₃,
R¹²CO₂-,
R¹²CO-, or
R¹²CONH-;

R¹¹ is C1-C3-alkyl;

R¹² is H or C1-C3-alkyl;

R¹³ and R¹⁴ are independently

H,
C1-C10-alkyl,
C1-C6-perfluoroalkyl,
C3-C10-alkenyl, or
C3-C6-cycloalkyl; or

R¹³ and R¹⁴ taken together can be C3-C6-cycloalkyl;

R¹⁵ is C1-C6-alkyl, C3-C6-alkenyl, or C3-C6-cycloalkyl;

n is 1 to 6;

m is 0 to 2;

or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof;

wherein R⁸ and R⁹ cannot both be H,

in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 11 (previously presented): The method of claim 10 wherein, in the compound of Formula I, one of four substituents of R¹, R², R³ and R⁴ must be C1-C3-alkylthio group, the other

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substituents are independently H, R¹¹O-, R¹¹S-, halogen, or C1-C3-alkyl;

R² and R³ taken together can be -SCH₂S-, SCH₂O-, or -OCH₂S-;

R⁷ is

R¹³R¹⁴NCO-,

R¹³R¹⁴NCS-,

R¹³R¹⁴N(HCR¹⁵)-,

R¹⁵OCO-,

R¹³CO-, or

H;

R⁸ and R⁹ are independently H, H₂N- or CH₃CONH-; or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

Claim 12 (original): The method of claim 11 wherein the compound of Formula I is selected from the group consisting of

4-(4-Aminophenyl)-1,2-dihydro-1-methyl-2-ethylcarbamoyl-6-methylthiophthalazine, 4-(4-Aminophenyl)-1,2-dihydro-1-methyl-2-n-propylcarbamoyl-6-methylthiophthalazine, 4-(4-Aminophenyl)-1,2-dihydro-1-methyl-2-n-butylcarbamoyl-6-methylthiophthalazine, 4-(4-Aminophenyl)-1,2-dihydro-2-ethylcarbamoyl-6-methylthiophthalazine, 4-(4-Aminophenyl)-1,2-dihydro-2-n-propylcarbamoyl-6-methylthiophthalazine, and 4-(4-Aminophenyl)-1,2-dihydro-2-n-butylcarbamoyl-6-methylthiophthalazine.

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Claim 13 (original): The method of claim 10 wherein the disorder is selected from the group consisting of neurological, neuropsychological, neuropsychiatric, neurodegenerative, neuropsychopharmacological and functional disorders.

Claim 14 (original): The method of claim 11 wherein the disorder is selected from the group consisting of neurological, neuropsychological, neuropsychiatric, neurodegenerative, neuropsychopharmacological and functional disorders.

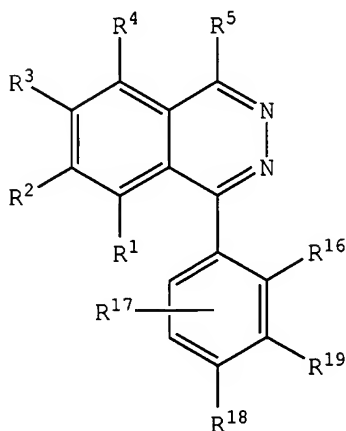
Claim 15 (original): The method of claim 12 wherein the disorder is selected from the group consisting of neurological, neuropsychological, neuropsychiatric, neurodegenerative, neuropsychopharmacological and functional disorders.

Claims 16-24 (canceled).

Claim 25 (previously presented): A method for treating a patient having a disorder associated with excessive activation of the α -amino-3-hydroxy-5-methyl-4-isooxazolepropionic acid (AMPA) subtype of the ionotropic excitatory amino acid (EAA) receptors, the method comprising administering to the patient, in an effective amount to alleviate the symptoms of the disorder, a compound of Formula II:

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wherein

R¹, R², R³ and R⁴ are independently

H,

HO,

R¹¹O-,

halogen,

C1-C3-alkyl,

CF₃,

R¹²CO₂-,

R¹²O₂C-,

R¹²CO-,

R¹²CONH-,

R¹²NHCO-,

R¹²NHCO₂-,

R¹²OCONH-,

R¹²O₂S-,

R¹²OS-, or

R¹³R¹⁴N-; or

R¹ and R², or R² and R³, or R³ and R⁴ taken together can be

-SCH₂S-,

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-SCH₂O-,
-OCH₂S-,
-SCH₂CH₂S-,
-SCH₂CH₂O-, or
-OCH₂CH₂S-;

wherein at least one of R¹, R², R³ or R⁴ must be a C1-C3-alkylthio group;

R⁵ is

H,
C1-C6-alkyl,
C3-C6-alkenyl,
C3-C6-cycloalkyl,

phenyl or substituted phenyl, wherein the phenyl is substituted with one or two substituents selected from the group consisting of C1-C3-alkyl, halogen, R¹¹O-, CF₃-, R¹²O₂S-, R¹²OS-, R¹²CO, R¹²CO₂-, R¹²O₂C-, R¹²CONH-, R¹²NHCO-, R¹²NHCO₂-, R¹²OCONH-, or R¹³R¹⁴N-;

R¹¹ is C1-C3-alkyl;

R¹² is H or C1-C3-alkyl;

R¹³ and R¹⁴ are independently

H,
C1-C10-alkyl,
C1-C6-perfluoroalkyl,
C3-C10-alkenyl, or
C3-C6-cycloalkyl; or

R¹³ and R¹⁴ taken together can be C3-C6-cycloalkyl;

R¹⁵ is C1-C6-alkyl, C3-C6-alkenyl, or C3-C6-cycloalkyl;

R¹⁶ and R¹⁷ are independently

H,

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halogen,
C1-C3-alkyl,
R¹²O-,
CF₃-, or
R¹²CO₂-;
R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ are independently
H,
R¹³R¹⁴N-,
R¹³HNC(NH)-, or
R¹²CONH-;

or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof;

wherein R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ cannot both be H,
in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 26 (previously presented): The method of claim 25 wherein, in the compound of Formula II, one of four substituents of R¹, R², R³ and R⁴ must be a C1-C3-alkylthio group, the other substituents are independently H, R¹¹O-, R¹¹S-, halogen, or C1-C3-alkyl;

R² and R³ taken together can be -SCH₂S-, -SCH₂O-, or -OCH₂S-;
R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ are independently H, H₂N-, or CH₃CONH-; or
pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

Claim 27 (original): The method of claim 26 wherein the compound of Formula II is selected from the group consisting of
1-(4-Aminophenyl)-6-methylthiophthalazine, 1-(4-Acetylamino-phenyl)-6-methylthiophthalazine, 1-(4-Aminophenyl)-7-methylthiophthalazine, 1-(4-Aminophenyl)-4-methyl-6-methylthiophthalazine, 1-(4-Acetylamino-phenyl)-4-methyl-6-methylthiophthalazine, 1-(4-Aminophenyl)-4-methyl-7-

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methylthiophthalazine, 1-(4-Acetylamino-phenyl)-4-methyl-7-methylthiophthalazine.

Claim 28 (original): The method of claim 25 wherein the disorder is selected from the group consisting of neurological, neuropsychological, neuropsychiatric, neurodegenerative, neuropsychopharmacological and functional disorders.

Claim 29 (original): The method of claim 26 wherein the disorder is selected from the group consisting of neurological, neuropsychological, neuropsychiatric, neurodegenerative, neuropsychopharmacological and functional disorders.

Claim 30 (original): The method of claim 27 wherein the disorder is selected from the group consisting of neurological, neuropsychological, neuropsychiatric, neurodegenerative, neuropsychopharmacological and functional disorders.

Claim 31 (currently amended): A method for decreasing the excessive flux of ions through an α -amino-3-hydroxy-5-methyl-4-isooxazolepropionic acid (AMPA) subtype of the ionotropic excitatory amino acid (EAA) receptors, the method comprising contacting a cortical cell with an effective amount of a compound of Formula I:

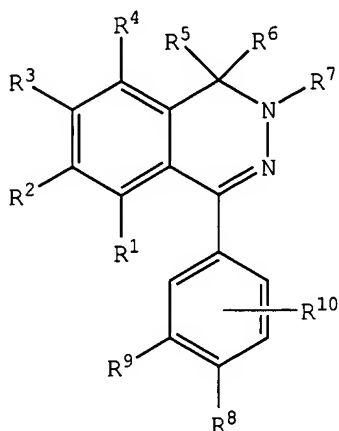
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wherein

R¹, R², R³ and R⁴ are independently

H,

HO,

R¹¹O-,

halogen,

C1-C3-alkyl,

CF₃,

R¹²CO₂-,

R¹²O₂C-,

R¹²CO-,

R¹²CONH-,

R¹²NHCO-,

R¹²NHCO₂-,

R¹²OCONH-,

R¹²O₂S-,

R¹²OS-, or

R¹³R¹⁴N-; or

R¹ and R², or R² and R³, or R³ and R⁴ taken together can be

-SCH₂S-,

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-SCH₂O-,
-OCH₂S-,
-SCH₂CH₂S-,
-SCH₂CH₂O-, or
-OCH₂CH₂S-;

wherein at least one of R¹, R², R³ or R⁴ must be a C1-C3-alkylthio group,

R⁵ and R⁶ are independently

H,
C1-C6-alkyl,
C3-C6-alkenyl,
C3-C6-cycloalkyl, or

phenyl or substituted phenyl, wherein the phenyl is substituted with one or two substituents selected from the group consisting of C1-C3-alkyl, halogen, R¹¹O-, CF₃,

R¹²O₂S-, R¹²OS-, R¹²CO, R¹²CO₂-, R¹²O₂C-, R¹²CONH-, R¹²NHCO-, R¹²NHCO₂-, R¹²CONH-, and R¹³R¹⁴N-; or

R⁵ and R⁶ taken together can be C3-C6-cycloalkyl;

R⁷ is

R¹³R¹⁴NCO-,
R¹³R¹⁴NCS-,
R¹³R¹⁴N(HCR¹⁵)-,
R¹⁵OCO-,
R¹³CO-,
R¹³R¹⁴NCH₂CO-,
R¹²O₂C-(CH₂)_n-,
R¹³R¹⁴NCO-(CH₂)_n-,
NC-(CH₂)_n-,
H,

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C1-C6-alkyl,
C3-C6-alkenyl, or
C3-C6-cycloalkyl; or

R⁶ and R⁷ taken together can be

-(CH₂)_mCH₂(R¹³)NCO-,
-(CH₂)_mCH₂OCO-, or
-(CH₂)_mCH₂CH₂CO-;

R⁸ and R⁹ are independently

H,
R¹³R¹⁴N-,
R¹³R¹⁴N(HCR¹⁵)-,
R¹²HNCO-, or
R¹²CONH-;

R¹⁰ is

H,
halogen,
HO,
R¹¹O-,
R¹³R¹⁴N-,
C1-C3-alkyl,
CF₃,
R¹²CO₂-,
R¹²CO-, or
R¹²CONH-;

R¹¹ is C1-C3-alkyl;

R¹² is H or C1-C3-alkyl;

R¹³ and R¹⁴ are independently

H,
C1-C10-alkyl,

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C1-C6-perfluoroalkyl,
C3-C10-alkenyl, or
C3-C6-cycloalkyl; or
R¹³ and R¹⁴ taken together can be C3-C6-cycloalkyl;
R¹⁵ is C1-C6-alkyl, C3-C6-alkenyl, or C3-C6-cycloalkyl;
n is 1 to 6;
m is 0 to 2;
or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof;
wherein R⁸ and R⁹ cannot both be H,
in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier
so that the excessive flux of ions through the AMPA receptor
is decreased.

Claim 32 (previously presented): The method of claim 31
wherein, in the compound of Formula I, one of four substituents
of R¹, R², R³ and R⁴ must be C1-C3-alkylthio group, the other
substituents are independently H, R¹¹O-, R¹¹S-, halogen or C1-C3-
alkyl;

R² and R³ taken together can be -SCH₂S-, SCH₂O-, or -OCH₂S-;
R⁷ is

R¹³R¹⁴NCO-,
R¹³R¹⁴NCS-,
R¹³R¹⁴N(HCR¹⁵)-,
R¹⁵OCO-,
R¹³CO-, or
H;

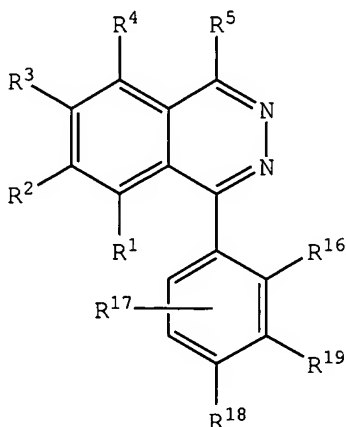
R⁸ and R⁹ are independently H, H₂N- or CH₃CONH-; or
pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

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Claim 33 (previously presented): The method of claim 32 wherein the compound of Formula I is selected from the group consisting of

4-(4-Aminophenyl)-1,2-dihydro-1-methyl-2-ethylcarbamoyl-6-methylthiophthalazine, 4-(4-Aminophenyl)-1,2-dihydro-1-methyl-2-n-propylcarbamoyl-6-methylthiophthalazine, 4-(4-Aminophenyl)-1,2-dihydro-1-methyl-2-n-butylcarbamoyl-6-methylthiophthalazine, 4-(4-Aminophenyl)-1,2-dihydro-2-ethylcarbamoyl-6-methylthiophthalazine, 4-(4-Aminophenyl)-1,2-dihydro-2-n-propylcarbamoyl-6-methylthiophthalazine, and 4-(4-Aminophenyl)-1,2-dihydro-2-n-butylcarbamoyl-6-methylthiophthalazine.

Claim 34 (previously presented): A method for decreasing the excessive flux of ions through an α -amino-3-hydroxy-5-methyl-4-isooxazoleproprionic acid (AMPA) subtype of the ionotropic excitatory amino acid (EAA) receptors, the method comprising contacting a cortical cell with an effective amount of a compound of Formula II:



wherein

R¹, R², R³ and R⁴ are independently

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H,
HO,
R¹¹O-,
halogen,
C1-C3-alkyl,
CF₃,
R¹²CO₂-,
R¹²O₂C-,
R¹²CO-,
R¹²CONH-,
R¹²NHCO-,
R¹²NHCO₂-,
R¹²OCONH-,
R¹²O₂S-,
R¹²OS-, or
R¹³R¹⁴N-; or

R¹ and R², or R² and R³, or R³ and R⁴ taken together can be

-SCH₂S-,
-SCH₂O-,
-OCH₂S-,
-SCH₂CH₂S-,
-SCH₂CH₂O-, or
-OCH₂CH₂S-;

wherein at least one of R¹, R², R³ or R⁴ must be a C1-C3-alkylthio group;

R⁵ is

H,
C1-C6-alkyl,
C3-C6-alkenyl,

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C3-C6-cycloalkyl,
phenyl or substituted phenyl, wherein the phenyl is substituted with one or two substituents selected from the group consisting of C1-C3-alkyl, halogen, $R^{11}O-$, CF_3- , $R^{12}O_2S-$, $R^{12}OS-$, $R^{12}CO$, $R^{12}CO_2-$, $R^{12}O_2C-$, $R^{12}CONH-$, $R^{12}NHCO-$, $R^{12}NHCO_2-$, $R^{12}OCONH-$, or $R^{13}R^{14}N-$;

R^{11} is C1-C3-alkyl;

R^{12} is H or C1-C3-alkyl;

R^{13} and R^{14} are independently

H,

C1-C10-alkyl,

C1-C6-perfluoroalkyl,

C3-C10-alkenyl, or

C3-C6-cycloalkyl; or

R^{13} and R^{14} taken together can be C3-C6-cycloalkyl;

R^{15} is C1-C6-alkyl, C3-C6-alkenyl, or C3-C6-cycloalkyl;

R^{16} and R^{17} are independently

H,

halogen,

C1-C3-alkyl,

$R^{12}O-$,

CF_3- , or

$R^{12}CO_2-$;

R^{18} and R^{19} are independently

H,

$R^{13}R^{14}N-$,

$R^{13}HNC(NH)-$, or

$R^{12}CONH-$;

or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof;

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wherein R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ cannot both be H,
in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier
so that the excessive flux of ions through the AMPA receptor
is decreased.

Claim 35 (previously presented): The method of claim 34
wherein, in the compound of Formula II, one of four substituents
of R¹, R², R³ and R⁴ must be a C1-C3-alkylthio group, the other
substituents are independently H, R¹¹O-, R¹¹S-, halogen, or C1-C3-
alkyl;

R² and R³ taken together can be -SCH₂S-, -SCH₂O-, or -OCH₂S-;
R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ are independently H, H₂N-, or CH₃CONH-; or
pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

Claim 36 (previously presented): The method of claim 35
wherein the compound of Formula II is selected from the group
consisting of

1-(4-Aminophenyl)-6-methylthiophthalazine, 1-(4-
Acetylaminophenyl)-6-methylthiophthalazine, 1-(4-Aminophenyl)-7-
methylthiophthalazine, 1-(4-Aminophenyl)-4-methyl-6-
methylthiophthalazine, 1-(4-Acetylaminophenyl)-4-methyl-6-
methylthiophthalazine, 1-(4-Aminophenyl)-4-methyl-7-
methylthiophthalazine, 1-(4-Acetylaminophenyl)-4-methyl-7-
methylthiophthalazine.